

## House Resolution 2285

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132<sup>nd</sup>, Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>, Porter of the 143<sup>rd</sup>, Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Hugley of the 133<sup>rd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Atlanta Hawks' Joe Johnson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Joe Johnson has an established reputation for athletic achievement and  
3 demonstrates his exemplary abilities each game as a guard for the NBA's Atlanta Hawks; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson was named to the Eastern Conference All-Star team for the  
5 February 14, 2010, All-Star game at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson's All-Star game appearance will be this stellar athlete's fourth  
7 consecutive showing, the first Hawks' player to achieve this since Dikembe Mutombo from  
8 1997-2001; and
- 9 WHEREAS, from the time the Atlanta Hawks acquired Mr. Johnson in a trade with Phoenix  
10 in 2005, he has served as a pillar of strength and leadership for the team; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his All-Star selection, along with his teammate Al Horford, marks the first time  
12 since 1998 that two Hawks have been named to the All-Star team; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson's direction both on and off the court serve as an inspiration to  
14 countless young athletes, earning him the respect and admiration of his family, friends, and  
15 fans; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding athletic achievements, it is abundantly fitting  
17 and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments of Mr.  
18 Johnson.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body recognize the Atlanta Hawks' Joe Johnson for his years of hard

21 work and perseverance in basketball, recognize his stellar career in the NBA, and  
22 congratulate him on being named to the Eastern Conference All-Star team.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
24 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Joe Johnson.